

**CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2013**

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on April 16 2013, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Goering, Cudaback, Williams, Kamp, Davis, Gamble, and Hanford.

Staff present: Brazel, Feilberg, Warthan, Farrell, Quenzer, Sax, and Martinson.

Student Representative Harano was present (entered Council Chambers after roll call).

City Attorney Zach Lell was also present.

Mayor Zimmerman asked for a moment of silence out of respect and remembrance for the people in Boston.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation: Building Safety Month, May 2013

Mayor Zimmerman read the proclamation announcing May 2013 as Building Safety Month.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. 2014-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief opening statement, explaining that the City is required to hold a public hearing and to update the Six-Year TIP annually.

Mayor Zimmerman opened the public hearing. No citizens wished to testify.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

The motion was made by Councilperson Cudaback and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to close the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

No citizens wished to address Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilperson Cudaback asked that Consent Agenda item #3 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

1. Minutes

A. April 2, 2013 Business Meeting

B. April 9, 2013 Study Session

2. Accounts Payable & Payroll

A. Bills: Checks #83610 – 83646, in the amount of \$82,775.35.

B. Payroll: Checks #32546 – 32619, in the amount of \$895,008.59.

The motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Goering, to approve Consent Agenda items #1 & #2. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

ITEM PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Authorize Mayor to Sign Agreement with Keith Brock for Monroe MusicFest

After questions, the motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to authorize the Mayor to sign agreement with Keith Brock for Music Festival coordination. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

NEW BUSINESS

At Mayor Zimmerman's request, Council agreed to move New Business #2 up on the agenda, due to the consultant attending the meeting.

2. Authorize Mayor to Sign Amendment to Agreement with NGKF For Real Estate Services

Economic Development Manager Sax gave a brief overview explaining the tract and properties that were involved in the amended agreement. The amendment included increasing the real estate commission from 2% to 3%.

The motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to authorize the Mayor to execute Third Extension to Listing Agreement – North Kelsey Land Monroe, WA. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

It was noted that Student Rep. Harano entered Council Chambers at 7:10 p.m.

1. Roosevelt Road Rezone:

A. Consideration of Planning Commission Recommendation

B. Ordinance Pertaining to Roosevelt Road Rezone/1st Reading

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief overview, explaining the specifics and history of the rezone.

After comments, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by

Councilperson Davis, to accept as first reading the ordinance amending zoning designations in the Roosevelt Road area.

After discussion, the motion was on the floor to accept the ordinance as first reading.
On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

3. Ordinance Amending MMC 13.08 Sewer System Regulations/1st Reading

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief overview, explaining that the current ordinance contains language that isn't enforceable. The proposed ordinance would allow the City to provide sewer service in the Urban Growth Area (UGA).

The motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to accept as first reading the ordinance Amending MMC 13.08 Sewer System Regulations; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE SEWER SYSTEM REGULATIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 13.08 OF THE MONROE MUNICIPAL CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE, as read into the record by City Attorney Lell.

After questions, the motion was on the floor to accept ordinance as first reading. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

4. Discussion: Social Media Policy

City Administrator Brazel gave a brief introduction explaining that the Council Legislative Committee has reviewed the proposed policy and presented a red-lined version for Council to review.

Committee Chair Davis explained that the draft has been adapted from the City of Cheney policy. There are other issues; i.e., the City doesn't have the systems in place to put it into effect. They would like to wait until the budget process starts, in order to be able to provide records management software that would help support the policy.

After additional questions, Mayor Zimmerman suggested that they discuss it further in executive session later in the meeting.

FINAL ACTION

1. Appoint Pro and Con Committee Members/ Ballot Measure for Criminal Justice

Deputy Clerk Martinson reported that this item was being pulled to wait for additional information and applicants.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilperson Gamble reported on the Little League Jamboree and the opening day ceremony that was held at the Miracle League field. There was a lot of excitement over the future restrooms. The City staff did a great job preparing the field.

Councilperson Hanford thanked the City staff for putting everything together for them for the Council meetings. There seems to be less lag time on items for Council action.

Mayor Zimmerman reported on being a judge for the talent show at the High School and the great talent displayed there. The Miracle League postponed their opening on Saturday. He also judged the Lipsync contest on Saturday and had a great time. This weekend, he will be judging the Miss Sky Valley contest.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REPORTS

Parks and Recreation Director Farrell reported that they will share a booth with the Monroe Chamber of Commerce at the Spring Festival at the Fairgrounds the weekend of April 27-28.

Human Resources Manager Warthan encouraged Councilmembers to sign up for direct deposit, to save costs and staff time. He also reported that the new associate planner, Melissa Sartorius, would be starting on Monday.

Chief Quenzer reported that two new officers will start training at the Academy in May another new officer will start at the Academy in June. This brings them up to 31 officers.

Mayor Zimmerman reported that he had met all three officers and is impressed with them.

Public Works Director Feilberg noted that the Wastewater Treatment Plant report is in the packet and that the new equipment is working very well.

Student Representative Harano was asked about the lacrosse team and reported that they are doing OK.

Mayor Zimmerman reported on an incident in their neighborhood; Sgt. Johnson responded and handled the situation very well. The ladies involved were very impressed.

City Administrator Brazel reported that all discussions have been wrapped up with the Sky Meadow Water District. This item will presented to Council on June 4th.

1. Draft Agenda/April 23, 2013 Study Session

City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for April 23, 2013. He noted the change in the Finance Committee meeting date from May 7th to April 23rd.

2. Department Reports

It was noted that there were department reports in the packet for Councilmembers' review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Executive Session: Pertaining to Pricing of Property

Mayor Zimmerman explained that there was a need to go into two executive sessions for approximately 15 minutes, to discuss pricing of property and to discuss potential litigation with legal counsel, as authorized by RCW 42.30.110 1(c) and 42.30.110 1(i), as read into the record by City Attorney Lell. Council may take action in open session.

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS EXTENDED

MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION: 8:26 p.m.

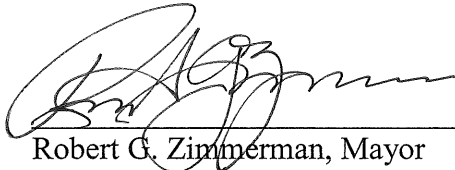
There was no Council action after the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Kamp, to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:26 p.m.


Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor
Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk